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Dear Sir

New U.S. Non-Provisional Utility Patent Application

Entitled: A device for monitoring a milk tank and an assembly of such a device with a milking robot and an automatic starting-up unit

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The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled:

A device for monitoring a milk tank and an assembly of such a device with a milking robot and an automatic starting-up unit

and naming as inventor(s):

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the application consisting of:

a. A specification containing:

- (i) 23 pages of description prior to the claims;
- (ii) 4 pages of claims (20 claims);
- (iii) a one (1) page abstract;

b. Drawings, including 7 sheet(s);

2. Declaration and Power of Attorney
Assignment



3. Two (2) return receipt postcards.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge the following fees to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing the docket number given above.

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It is respectfully requested that, of the two attached postcards, one be stamped with the filing date of these documents and returned to our courier, and the other, prepaid postcard, be stamped with the filing date and unofficial application number and returned as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David P. Owen".

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